

I am writing the FCC to respectfully reject the NAB petition 04-160. My reasons are numerous, but for sake of time, I will enumerate on only a few.

First, one my reason for supporting Satellite radie is that of differentiation. Since the larger communications companies of this country have and continue to purchase radio stations around this country, the formats of the radio stations playing a type of music (smooth jazz for instance) have ALL become homogenous. The play lists of these stations reflect NO differentiation. The top 20 tunes are played over and over.

Second, the NAB has tried to stifle every new innovation since the invention of the radio. In the '40's, Radio broadcasters tried to stifle TV; in the '70's, AM Broadcasters tried to stifle FM. Now, it is after Satellite Radio.

Third, this is about choice and First Ammendment freedoms. If I want to listen to a commercial free MUSIC Radio Station, I cannot. I should be able to, if I so desire, be able to choose to PAY for a commercial free service if it is available.

The NAB is trying to stifle choice. Protectionism in our country has gone the way of the 6 mpg car. It has never worked, for it fosters a mentality of laziness rather than constant innovation to stay ahead of competition or to even reinvent itself. Just ask the steel industry. Look at the Textile Industry just to name two.

Do not let this special interests of a few override the benefits of the few. Vote AGAINST this petition.